

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 5, 17, 26 and 28 as shown below. The claims, as currently pending in the application, read as follows:

1. to 4. (Cancelled).

5. (Currently Amended) A service information distribution device for distributing service information to a personal digital assistant device, comprising:

a management unit that manages ~~position information of positions at which the number of times that the personal digital assistant device has previously been located~~
been associated with a position, as a position history;

a selection unit that selects, among a plurality of personal digital assistant devices managed by said management unit, a personal digital assistant device to which the service information should be distributed on the basis of the position history managed by said management unit; and

a distribution unit that distributes the service information to the selected personal digital assistant device for storage by the personal digital assistant device.

6. (Cancelled).

7. (Previously Presented) A service information distribution device according to claim 5, wherein said selection unit selects the personal digital assistant

device to which the service information should be distributed, on the basis of a frequency for dropby of each zone by each personal digital assistant device.

8. (Original) A service information distribution device according to claim 5, wherein the service information includes congestion degree information.

9. (Previously Presented) A service information distribution device according to claim 5, wherein the service information includes at least one of informations regarding sale of an article, advertisement distribution, reservation, hall guidance, opening of an event and an attraction, suitable for the personal digital assistant device.

10. (Previously Presented) A service information distribution device according to claim 5, wherein said distribution unit distributes the service information in response to a request from the personal digital assistant device.

11. (Cancelled).

12. (Previously Presented) A service information distribution device according to claim 5, wherein said management unit also manages accounting information for a user of the personal digital assistant device.

13. to 16. (Cancelled).

17. (Currently Amended) A control method for controlling a service information distribution device for distributing service information to a personal digital assistant device, comprising:

a managing step that manages ~~position information of positions at which the~~
number of times that the personal digital assistant device has previously been located been
associated with a position, as a position history;

a selecting step that selects among a plurality of personal digital assistant
devices managed in said managing step, a personal digital assistant device to which the
service information should be distributed on the basis of the position history managed in
said managing step; and

a distributing step that distributes the service information to the selected
personal digital assistant device for storage by the personal digital assistant device.

18. to 25. (Cancelled).

26. (Currently Amended) A control program executed by a computer
for controlling a service information distribution device for distributing service information
to a personal digital assistant device, comprising:

a program code executing a managing step that manages ~~position~~
~~information of positions at which the number of times that~~ the personal digital assistant
device has previously ~~been located been~~ associated with a position, as a position history;

a program code for executing a selecting step that selects among a plurality of personal digital assistant devices managed in said managing step, a personal digital assistant device to which the service information should be distributed on the basis of the position movement history managed by said managing step; and

a program code for executing a distributing step that distributes the service information to the selected personal digital assistant device for storage by the personal digital assistant device.

27. (Cancelled).

28. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a control program capable of being read by a computer for controlling a service information distribution device for distributing service information to a personal digital assistant device, the control program comprising:

a program code executing a managing step that manages ~~position information of positions at which~~ the number of times that the personal digital assistant device has previously ~~been located~~ been associated with a position, as a position history;

a program code for executing a selecting step that selects among a plurality of personal digital assistant devices managed in said managing step, a personal digital assistant device to which the service information should be distributed on the basis of the position history managed by said managing step; and

a program code for executing a distributing step that distributes the service information to the selected personal digital assistant by device for storage by the personal digital assistant device.